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**Sent:** Saturday, July 31, 2004 3:31 PM  
**To:** Commissioner Adelstein  
**Subject:** Violence on TV

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PO box 954  
Saltville, VA 24370

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When our son was young, I had many stations blocked out on our cable box. However, even when he visited friends from "good" families he was exposed to some pretty raunchy stuff. The premise that "turning-it-off" should be enough control for those families that are offended by media trash is a ridiculous one, unless you lock you kid up for 12 years. What is up with the body rubbing and vulgar dancing on music video stations late at night?! Shocking.

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**Sent:** Saturday, July 31, 2004 3:07 PM  
**To:** KAQuinn  
**Subject:** TV Violence

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31712 Robert Rd  
Thousand Palms, CA 92276

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